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Amendment to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended):

A method of operating an Internet Appliance having a network portal configured to provide ~~for providing~~ local information ~~about a network portal~~ to a destination server, comprising:

storing in a memory at least one value representative of said local information in association with a respective variable name;

~~creating~~ receiving a message containing a substitutable ~~variables~~ name and addressed to said destination server;

~~sending said message;~~

~~receiving said message at said network portal;~~

detecting said substitutable ~~variables~~ name in said message;

~~amending said message at said network portal in response to detecting said substitutable variables by~~ replacing said substitutable ~~variables~~ name in said message with said local information from said memory, thereby creating an amended message; and

sending said amended message to said destination server.

Claim 2 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein said message and said amended message are formatted to a text-based Internet protocol.

Claim 3 (original): The method of claim 2, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Hypertext Transfer Protocol.

Claim 4 (original): The method of claim 2, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Session Initiation Protocol.

Claim 5 (original): The method of claim 2, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Simple Mail Transfer Protocol.

Claim 6 (cancelled)

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Claim 7 (currently amended):

An Internet Appliance comprising a network portal configured to provide local information to a destination server, comprising:

a memory for storing at least one value representative of said local information in association with a respective substitutable variable name;

a receiver for receiving a message, said message addressed to said destination server and consisting partly of said a substitutable variable name;

means for identifying said substitutable variable name;

a processor for replacing said substitutable variable name in said message with the value representative of said local information from said memory, thereby creating an amended message; and

a transmitter for sending said amended message to said destination server.

Claim 8 (original): The network portal of claim 7 wherein said message and said amended message are formatted to a text-based Internet protocol.

Claim 9 (original): The network portal of claim 8, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Hypertext Transfer Protocol.

Claim 10 (original): The network portal of claim 8, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Session Initiation Protocol.

Claim 11 (original): The network portal of claim 8, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Simple Mail Transfer Protocol.

Claims 12-13 (cancelled)